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第十八月正香港

PRIOR \$24 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 16, CLARA, German str., 724, Christensen, Hamburg 14th January, General—
SIMONSEN & CO.
January 17, KWANG-LEE, Chinese str., 1,008, Lincoln, Whampoa 17th January, General—
C. M. S. N. CO.
January 17, GENERAL WERDER, German str., 1,890, M. Eichof, Yokohama 5th January,
Kobe 13th, and Nagasaki 13th, General—
MELCHERS & CO.
January 17, BECCONSHIRE, British str., 1,647, Jackson, London 23rd November, and Singapore 7th January, General—ADAMSON,
BELL & CO.
January 17, FORTRESS, British str., 508, Lewis, Tamis, 10th January, Amy 13th, and Swatow 16, General—DOUGLAS LAPLAINE
& CO.
January 17, BAYERN, German steamer, 2,877, F. Mergell, Shanghai 15th January, General—
MELCHERS & CO.
January 17, CHI YUEN, Chinese cruiser, Tainan 15th January.
January 17, CHING YUEN, Chinese cruiser, Ta
wan 15th January.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOURMASTER'S OFFICE.

17TH JANUARY.

POLIZ, German str., for Saigon.
Bremesville, British str., for Nagasaki.
Cumbria, British bark, for Calcutta.
Bonelli, British str., for Singapore.
Osaka, British bark, for Calcutta.
Isabel, Nor. bark, for London.
Hengler, British str., for Kobe.
Chuchowfu, German str., for Madras.

DEPARTURES.

January 17, LENNOX, British str., for Saigon.
January 17, VENONA, British str., for Yoko
hama.

January 17, BENGLO, British str., for Kobe.
January 17, NATAL, French str., for Shanghai.
January 17, CHOWCHOWFOO, German steamer,
for Madras.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per General Werder, str., from Yokohama, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Siegfried, Mr. and Miss Nascentz-Ziesa, Messrs. H. Zweifel, C. Lund, V. Zalischewski, and Dr. Pfeiffer.
Per Bremesville, str., from London, &c.—30 Chinese.
Per Fokian, str., from Tamsui, to Rev. P. Madgwick, and 20 Chinese.
Per Bayern, str., from Shanghai—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, Messrs. Rivers, Beck, Stewart, Schuster, Brown, and 16 Chinese.

Per Natel, str., for Shanghai—From Hong
kong—Mrs. Li Ah Goo, Messrs. Yamagishi and
Budo. From Marcelline—Mrs. Robertson and
infant. Messrs. Yang and E. Clark. Revs. Dal
mat & Russell, from Alexandria—Rev.
M. Val. from Saigon—Rev. Mosso. For
Korea—From Marcelline—Miss Tahay, Mrs.
Mrs. Courtney, Rev. Yule, and 10 Chinese.
Mrs. K. Davis, B. Ovane, Quiniba, Watana
ba, Koakai, Honjo, Herberg, Martel, and
Goudarane.

REPORTS.

The British steamer BRISBANE, from London
23rd November, and Singapore 7th January, re
ports had strong N.E. winds and sea.

The British steamer FIDDLER, from Tamsui 10th
January, and Swatow 16th, reports to
Tamsui to Amoy, had moderate N.E. winds to
N. winds and following sea and fine clear wea
ther. From Amoy to Swatow, had strong N.E.
winds and overcast weather with high confused
sea. From Swatow to Hongkong, had moderate
E.N.E. winds and fine but cloudy weather.

SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

ARRIVED.

20 Chungking, British str., from Chefoo.
21 Bayard, German str., from Bremen.
31, Yokohama-maru, Jap. str., from Japan.
31, Kiang-tee, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
31, Fushun, Chinese str., from Hongkong.
31, Kiang-chuan, Chinese str., from Hankow.
31, Sial, British str., from Hankow.
31, Higo-maru, Jap. str., from Vladivostok.
31, Toyoshima-maru, Jap. str., from Hakodate.
Jameson, British str., from Ningpo.
1, Wuchang, British str., from Ningpo.
1, Hethow, British str., from Swatow.
1, Wissmar, German str., from Nagasaki.
1, Longchua, British str., from Kulang.
2, Shanghai, British str., from Hankow.
2, Kiang-tee, Chinese str., from Ningpo.
2, Peiping, British str., from Hankow.
2, Po-ku, Chinese str., from Chefoo.
3, Wuchang, British str., from Ningpo.
3, Newchang, British str., from Swatow.
3, Fu Wu, British str., from Hankow.
3, Amy, British str., from Hongkong.
3, Lee-yuen, Chinese str., from P. Arthur.
3, Saphire, French str., from Kobe.
3, Remond, British str., from Hongkong.
3, Kiang-chuan, British str., from Nagasaki.
3, T. F. Oakes, Amer. ship, from New York.
3, Wharton, German str., from Hankow.
4, Wenchow, British str., from Swatow.
5, Wuchang, British str., from Ningpo.
5, Haechang, Chinese str., from Wenchow.
5, El Dorado, British str., from Foochow.
5, Alpine Gold, German str., from Kobe.
5, Hever, German str., from Nagasaki.
5, Wokang, British str., from Hongkong.

DEPARTURES.

30 McRath, British str., for Kobe.
31 Chen Yuen, Chinese str., for Kulang.
31, Ching Yuen, Chinese cruiser, for Kulang.
31, Lai Yuan, Chinese cruiser, for Kulang.
31, Pao Hu, British str., for Hankow.
31, Kiang-yung, Chinese str., for Hankow.
31, Ching Yuen, Chinese str., for Hankow.
31, Lee-yuen, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
31, Anshin Maru, Japanese str., for Foochow.
1, Mafo, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
1, Chin-tung, Chinese str., for Chefoo.
1, Wuchang, British str., for Ningpo.
1, Yuen Wo, British str., for Hankow.
2, Morcove, Amer. cruiser, for Hankow.
2, Ting Yuen, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
2, King Yuen, Chinese cruiser, for T'kong.
2, Chih Y. Chinese str., for Ningpo.
3, Higo-maru, Jap. str., for Jinchuan.
3, Toyoshima-maru, Jap. str., for K'ntow.
3, Kiamtsu-maru, Jap. str., for K'ntow.
3, Fushun, Chinese str., for Hongkong.
3, Kiang-yu, Chinese str., for Hankow.
3, Sial, British str., for Hankow.
3, Achilles, British str., for London.
3, Pericles, British str., for London.
3, Hercules, British str., for Ningpo.
3, Yantze, French str., for Hongkong.
4, Yokohama-maru, Jap. str., for Nagasaki.
4, Teisang, British str., for Wuhan.
4, Wissmar, German str., for Nagasaki.
4, Chungking, British str., for Chefoo.
4, Ngankin, British str., for Hankow.
4, Newhaven, British str., for Amy.
4, Haeng, Chinese str., for Ningpo.
5, Wissmar, German str., for Hankow.
5, Wharton, British str., for Hankow.
5, Fia Wo, British str., for Hankow.

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INTIMATIONS.

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to 5 years;

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to age 50;

(e) If premiums are limited
to death if previous*

INTIMATION.

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1888.

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METEOROLOGICAL REGISTRY.

	Previous day's date at 4 p.m.	Present day's date at 4 p.m.	On-shore at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.17	30.30	30.15
Temperature	61°	68°	61°
Humidity	60%	60%	60%
Direction of wind	E.	N.E.	E.
Force of wind	1	1	1
Weather	b.	c.	b.

With the above temperature on the 15th inst., the
actual open temperature on the 16th was 63.
A maximum reading of 82 degrees Fahrenheit at
the thermometer, 100% humidity, 60% humidity,
and 100% pressure in the barometer.
Humidity is percentage of saturation, the humidity of
the atmosphere to two digits.
Force or the Wind according to Beaufort Scale.
Scale of Wind Force—1. Calm; 2. Light
Wind; 3. Gentle Breeze; 4. Moderate; 5. Fresh; 6. Gusty; 7. Strong; 8. Very Strong; 9. Gale; 10. Hurricane; 11. Typhoon; 12. Gale; 13. Violent Gale; 14. Storm; 15. Gale; 16. Gale; 17. Gale; 18. Gale; 19. Gale; 20. Gale; 21. Gale; 22. Gale; 23. Gale; 24. Gale; 25. Gale; 26. Gale; 27. Gale; 28. Gale; 29. Gale; 30. Gale; 31. Gale; 32. Gale; 33. Gale; 34. Gale; 35. Gale; 36. Gale; 37. Gale; 38. Gale; 39. Gale; 40. Gale; 41. Gale; 42. Gale; 43. Gale; 44. Gale; 45. Gale; 46. Gale; 47. Gale; 48. Gale; 49. Gale; 50. Gale; 51. Gale; 52. Gale; 53. Gale; 54. Gale; 55. Gale; 56. Gale; 57. Gale; 58. Gale; 59. Gale; 60. Gale; 61. Gale; 62. Gale; 63. Gale; 64. Gale; 65. Gale; 66. Gale; 67. Gale; 68. Gale; 69. Gale; 70. Gale; 71. Gale; 72. Gale; 73. Gale; 74. Gale; 75. Gale; 76. Gale; 77. Gale; 78. Gale; 79. Gale; 80. Gale; 81. Gale; 82. Gale; 83. Gale; 84. Gale; 85. Gale; 86. Gale; 87. Gale; 88. Gale; 89. Gale; 90. Gale; 91. Gale; 92. Gale; 93. Gale; 94. Gale; 95. Gale; 96. Gale; 97. Gale; 98. Gale; 99. Gale; 100. Gale.

W. DOBBRICH.
Hong Kong Observatory, 17th January 1890.

HOW PILLS ARE MADE.

The custom of taking medicine in the form of pills dates far back in history. The object is to enable us to swallow easily in a condensed form disagreeable and nauseous, but very useful drugs. To what vast dimensions pill-taking has grown may be imagined when we say that in England alone about 2,000,000,000 (two thousand million) pills are consumed every year. In early days pills were made slowly by hand, as the demand was comparatively small. To-day they are produced with infinitely greater rapidity by machines especially contrived for the purpose, and with greater accuracy, too, in the proportion of the various ingredients employed.

No form of medication can be better than a pill, provided only it is intelligently prepared. But right here comes the difficulty. Ease as it may seem to make a pill, or a million of them there are really very few pills that can be honestly recommended for popular use. Most of them either undershoot or overshoot the mark. As everybody takes pills of some kind, it may be well to mention what a good, safe and reliable pill should be. Now, when one feels dull and sleepy, and has more or less pain in the head, sides, and back, he may be sure his bowels are constipated, and his liver sluggish. To remedy this unhappy state of things is nothing like a good cathartic pill. It will not like a charm by stimulating the liver into doing its duty, and ridding the digestive organs of the accumulated poisonous matter.

But the good pill does not grip and pain us, neither does it make us sick and miserable for a few hours or a whole day. It acts on the entire glandular system at the same time, else the after-effects of the pill will be worse than the disease itself. The griping caused by most pills is the result of irritating drugs which they contain. Such pills are harmful, and should never be used. They sometimes even produce hemorrhoids. Without having any particular desire to praise one pill above another, we may, nevertheless, name Mother Seigel's Pills, manufactured by the well-known house of A. J. White, Limited, 35, Finsbury Road, London, and now sold by all chemists and medicine vendors, the only one we know of that actually possesses every desirable quality. They remove the pressure upon the brain, correct the liver, and cause the bowels to act with ease and regularity. They never cease to produce the slightest sickness of the stomach, or any other unpleasant feeling or symptom. Neither do they induce further constipation, as nearly all other pills do. As a further and crowning merit, Mother Seigel's Pills are covered with a tasteless and harmless coating, which causes them to resemble pearls, thus rendering them as pleasant to the palate as they are effective in curing disease. If you have a severe cold and are threatened with a fever, with pains in the head, back, and limbs, one or two doses will break up the cold and prevent the fever. A sooted tongue, with a bronchial taste in the mouth, is caused by foul matter in the stomach. A dose of Seigel's Pills will effect a speedy cure. Often times partially decayed food in the stomach and bowels produces sickness, nausea, &c. Cleanses the bowels with a dose of these pills, and good health will follow.

Unlike many kinds of pills, they do not make you feel worse before you are better. They are, without doubt, the best family physician ever discovered. They remove all obstructions to the natural functions in either sex without any unpleasant effects.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPEE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1890.

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE
HONGKONG HOTEL.
CUSTOMERS are particularly requested
to SETTLE their ACCOUNTS up to
31st December, 1890, without delay.
C. M. ROBERTS,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 17th January, 1890.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.—

No. 28.
THE CHINA NEW YEAR HOLIDAY
will be observed on the 2nd day of the
Chinese New Year, the 25th day of the
Kowloon Customs' Station from the 20th to
the 22nd day, to the 8th day of the 1st Moon, at
11 A.M.—19th to 28th January—and during that
period all Shipment, Discharge, and Examination
of Cargo will be suspended.

F. A. MORGAN,
Commissioner of Customs for
Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 14th January, 1890.

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THE WEST POINT BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY
YEARLY MEETING of SHARE
HOLDERS in this Company will be held at
the City Hall, on THURSDAY, 23rd January,
1890, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Board of Directors
together with Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1889.

The REGISTER or SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, 14th, to
THURSDAY, 23rd January, 1890 (both days
inclusive) during which period no Transfer
of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPEE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1890.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND
ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE
HOLDERS in this Company will be held at
the City Hall, on THURSDAY, 23rd January,
1890, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Board of Directors
together with Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1889.

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pany will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, 14th, to
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By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPEE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 7th January, 1890.

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THE BALMORAL GOLD MINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENERAL MEETING of the SHARE
HOLDERS in the above Company will be
held at the Office of the Company, 10, Queen's
Road, Central, on FRIDAY, 24th January,
1890, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Board of Directors
together with Statement of Accounts to 31st
December, 1889.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 18th to 31st instant
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th January, 1890.

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THE STEAMSHIP "BALMORAL".

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND
ORDINARY MEETING of SHARE
HOLDERS in this Company will be held at
the Office of the Company, 10, Queen's
Road, Central, on FRIDAY, 24th January,
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By Order of the Board of Directors.

A. SHELTON HOOPEE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th January, 1890.

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THE STEAMSHIP "BALMORAL".

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A. SHELTON HOOPEE,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th January, 1890.

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CHAPTER VII.

She smiled on many, just for fun;

I knew that there was nothing to it.

"What a lovely house!" says Nan, with some admiration.

"It will be all right after a hit," returns her master.

"But when my sister arrives, in about three weeks or so, I hope you will be good enough to call on her," says Hume, pleasantly. "And that—of course, I have no right to call any favour of so great a stranger—that you will help us to make the country agreeable to her."

"Well, call, of course," says Nan, who has somehow begun to feel dispirited. "But is to

"If she's depending on us to make the place lively for her, she'll have a bad time of it," says William, with an outburst of merriment, that Nan, in her anger, calls a "guffaw." "You should see father! The very thought of a dance, or a picnic even, puts his hair on end like an old man's."

"William!" says Miss Delaney in an affronted tone.

"Well—what?" retorts William, sullenly. "I was only going to say 'And besides that, we have no money!'"

This is terrible! And to no other a stranger too. As if overcome by William's awful frankness, Miss Delaney lays down her arms.

"Well, you can't say she's mode-headed, and all that sort of thing," says Nan, in a wry situation striking her as being unique to the last degree. She shrugs with herself ineffectually and finally breaks into irrepressible laughter.

Such merry, happy, musical laughter! Was ever music sweet or gay as it? Hume, who has been drawn amongst such town misses as have been taught to open demonstrations of any kind of mirth or joy, or anger, are only for the sake of it clear-cut and decided. His admiration: "What a young girl indeed!" What a sweet, delicate touch of youth enthuses her, gleaming every movement of her sinewy body.

All at once—it is the most unaccountable, the most absurd thing in the world he admits—but at this moment it does occur to him, how often his friends have suggested to him the charms of the married life. He thinks it would be better to marry than to fall in love; but he is not quite sure that the cause of their jilted fit to it—largely unresisted by the truth, the sentence is reached.

One outcome of this general amazement is that Nan then and there sees all sense of the shyness that but half an hour ago distressed her so keenly when in the presence of the master of Hume Castle. Then he was an amateur, a boy to be educated, a creature on whom William's reputation depended. Now he is fallen foul, and one whispers this deplorable cognac to herself, not altogether blind to her charms. To create contempt in a woman for a man, assured that the man is hopelessly in love with her. After that reader to him your deepest commiseration, for shall lead him a life that—

It is not evening. The giant sun has dropped and the tall, thin, pale moon has risen as if to awake him. Up high, away, a fat pale moon—has eliminated the heaven-shade, overcast, as though afraid of its own audacity. Such a young Diana. In thought! Hume compares it to the pale, slight girl by his side; so fair! Could she ever hear, or care, to hear?

Just outside the gateway, two young men coming leisurely up the road, meet their eyes. Will he give way to a boisterous shout of welcome?

"Here's Freddy Croker," cries he.

Mr. Croker acknowledges this joyous recognition with due griftiness.

"My beloved William," says he, "this is indeed a pleasure." He holds out his arms with the evident intention of pressing William to his bosom a kindly, not to say affectionate, attitude; however, by William with distinct suspicion.

"Oh, hoher," says the youth, gliding the promised hug, and getting behind Mr. Hume, who is looking at these two new neighbours of him with some interest.

Croker, who is about Hume's own height, is a stalwart man of twenty-seven, with brown hair, brown eyes, brown skin. A very ordinary young man, but with a certain dash, particularly in him from those of his fellow countrymen—the very lovable expression that makes his large mouth almost handsome. Hume, after one swift glance at him, takes his measure to a nicely, and decides upon liking him; but the other—Croker's companion—is of an altogether different type.

A very tall man, less than middle height, with yellowish hair and black eyes. Penitent eyes, deep, searching, almost fierce. There is a touch of self-reproach about the whole face that irresistibly attracts, and warms one vaguely, that a volcanio all possibility lies beneath that studiously calm exterior. The black eyes are fixed on Miss Delaney.

"Why Nan," says Croker, with all the freedom of an old friend. "This a cure for said soul to you outside the walls of Rathmore. Better still."

"Rather foolish, isn't it?" says his companion, whose name is French, his captain in Her Majesty's 14th Hussars. "It should be something very special that induced you to try your strength like this."

There is a coldness in his tone, and yet an almost burning interest that strikes on Hume's eye.

"You are right. It was something special," says Miss Delaney, with a little laugh; has a good deal of personal vanity in it. That she has just come out of the gates of Hume with its master by her side, is apparent to all beholders. How is she to explain her presence here? At any other time, under different circumstances, she would have had quite a simple matter to give a graphic account of all this, and her rush to the room to these two old friends, but just now, with the old tired feeling over her, and this strange man by her side, she finds all at once that words have failed her, and ideas too.

Will they think she has been making an evening call on Mr. Hume, a nervous desire to laugh him off the wall? No, that is not the case; he is mingled with a most frank interest in Nan, that he has failed to be that respectably odious old Colossal he ought to be.

"Something special, hers?" asks French. His glance seems just to touch the gates of Hume. There is still suppressed excitement in his tone and expression, and his sallow complexion seems to have lost its tinge of red. He is intently watching him, to grow a shade.

"Sits the wind in that quarter?" says he to himself, and at once that curious desire for victory that reigns in all breasts, that longing to overcome, grows warm within him, and thrill him to keener life. The idea is formless, and barely living yet he has decided within himself, that this girl lends him all power—he not French, who is intently watching him, to grow a shade.

"Yes, here. It was about William—" begins Nan, and then falter and pauses as if at a loss how to begin. She is looking very white, and pale, with a slightly tremulous, uncertain, stammering smile on her lips, turns to him.

"You will introduce me to your friend?" says he, and having obtained the introduction goes on faintly.

"Yes. I am afraid it was the fault of my young friend here," giving William's ear a gentle tug.

"It appears that a party came into our garden which was not likely for the partido. And Miss Delaney, before she became my own uncle, who poor man (if never saw him), has been dead a month or more, came up here this afternoon to gain admission, for this erring mortal; this deplorable sinner," he once again pinches the dear可憐的sinner's ear, who, too, gives a weak, weary, long-sighed answer beneath this punishment. "I have given you the story in one chapter, for which you should be grateful."

says Hume, laughing. "It wasn't worth a line more, eh?" addressing French directly, who looks back at him with his impenetrable eyes but says nothing.

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